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AND/OR CONTROLLING OF A FOOD
PRODUCT DISPENSING MACHINE USING
A TAG-TYPE COMMUNICATION DEVICE

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTIONCommissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the final Office Action mailed May 24, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

A Petition for a one month extension of time up to and including September 24, 2004 is submitted herewith. Please charge any fee deficiencies to Winston & Strawn LLP Deposit Account No. 50-1814.

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